



Grim Reaper Invades Several Homes

THREE WELL KNOWN COUNTY RESIDENTS PASS AWAY

Crawford county has had more than its share of deaths this week with the passing of three prominent residents and their families. James Reynolds Sr., was taken with a stroke of paralysis while at his work at the Grayling Box Company early Monday afternoon and passed away that same evening. Henry Stephan Sr., ill for several weeks and a patient at Mercy Hospital, passed away Monday night. Mrs. Lowell Fox of Maple Forest died from the infirmities of old age at her home in Maple Forest Monday. Little Walter Wilson, two-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson was unable to overcome a stage of pneumonia and died at Mercy Hospital Tuesday evening. And Chester James, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lozon passed away at their home this morning.

The community regrets the passing of these citizens who have been loyal standbys to their town and county and helped in its progress, and the Avalanche joins in extending sincere sympathy to the members of the bereaved families. Also to those parents who are mourning the loss of their children.

Henry Stephan Sr.

Henry Stephan Sr., a resident of the down river settlement since he was 11 years old, and owner of one of the many fine resorts on the river, passed away at Mercy Hospital at 11:00 o'clock Monday night. Mr. Stephan had been ill for about five weeks from a complication of diseases that had effected his heart. Three weeks ago he was removed from his home to Mercy Hospital, but he gradually grew weaker until the end came. Mr. Stephan appeared to be such a strong looking man that it seemed hardly possible that he could be in ill health.

Mr. Stephan was an expert hunting and fishing guide and a lover of the beautiful AuSable on which banks most of his life was spent. Last Spring he wrote an essay that won second place in a contest, in which he related in a most interesting manner his life on this famous stream. How in his boyhood he played in its waters and his later experiences. He had a wide acquaintance among sportsmen coming to this section to fish and hunt. For the past ten years he had also been caretaker of the property on the river owned by E. J. Marshall of Toledo, by whom he was regarded very highly. Mr. Stephan's host of friends in Grayling are grieved to learn of his demise.

The deceased was born in Rouen, France, June 2, 1870 and with his parents Peter W. and Helen M. Stephan came directly to Grayling in August, 1881. They settled on the river, clearing the land and building their home in the wilderness. In 1896 he was united in marriage to Annette Cook and co-incidentally his brother John wooed her sister Cynthia and they were also married the same day at a double wedding held in Grayling. To the union three daughters and four sons were born, all of whom together with the widow survive. They are Henrietta, now Mrs. Harold

Fathers and Sons Banquet Together

HAZEN CUYLER GIVES MAIN ADDRESS

About 100 fathers and sons met in banquet at Mitchell Memorial church banquet room Monday evening to enjoy a few hours together. The affair was sponsored by the Ladies Aid society of Mitchell Memorial church and the banquet was provided by them also.

At 6:30 the assemblage marched from the church piers to the banquet room in the basement, Grayling high school orchestra playing a march. The tables were nicely spread and looked pretty with their white coverings and vases of colored carnations and other flowers. Washington Birthday hats were strewn upon the white table covers. The room was decorated with American flags and behind the speakers table, amidst flag streamers, was a fine large picture of George Washington.

The menu consisted of tomato juice, a delicious vegetable salad, Swiss steak, mashed potatoes and carrots, pickles, rolls, corrie and cherry pie. All very appetizing and nicely served.

The high school orchestra under direction of Miss Shirley McNeven played several numbers during the banquet, which were very much enjoyed. Invocation was offered by Rev. Fr. J. L. Culligan. Dr. C. K. Keyport acted as master of ceremonies. In his opening remarks he said that the associations of fathers and sons is one of the oldest fetes known to man. The father is usually the idol of his son and the son is soul of his father.

Four young men from CCC Camp No. 672, (Camp Higgins), sang a couple of numbers to open the program, and also later on during the evening. They were Orville McIntosh, Al. Lorentz, Raymond McGee and Duke Goldmeyer.

Bob Welsh, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Welsh, in behalf of the sons present, thanked the dads for bringing them to the banquet.

Postmaster M. A. Bates talked for the dads and told of some of his experiences while a boy. Both Bob and Mr. Bates left impressions of sincere appreciation of the ties of fathers and sons.

Howard Schmidt sang most beautifully a baritone solo entitled "Father—The Word that means words to me."

Hazen (Kiki) Cuyler, of Harrisville, star outfielder for the Chicago Cubs, was the principal speaker. For the past few years his services as speaker has been quite in demand in Northern Michigan cities.

He tells his story in a modest and pleasing manner, and any references to his own success are made without the least appearance of boasting or egotism, and he holds his audience with intense interest. The youngsters and oldsters alike seemed fascinated by his stories and tales of some of his experiences in sandlot and big league baseball. He said that he started his baseball career on the sandlots and that he is always glad to return to them. "I like my old associations," he said.

Mr. Cuyler told a number of amusing stories and kept the audience in good humor throughout his talk. He related many sandlot and big league experiences and brought some of the stars of baseball into his word picture. He has played for 11 years in major baseball, 4 of which were with the Pittsburgh Pirates and seven years with the Chicago Cubs. He hoped to continue in baseball for many more years and could only hope to do so by taking the best of care of himself physically and by clean living. He admonished the younger generation that the climb to stardom could only come by hard work and clean habits. He neglected to tell the boys that he neither drinks intoxicating liquor nor smokes.

He said some nice things for surviving the child are his parents, one brother and two sisters.

Helpful Hints

Who ever heard of a kitchen with too much cupboard room. Probably no one. We make cupboards to fit any place.

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THINGS AND NEW—By Lane Bode



SEALED GOLD FISH—
GOLDFISH HAVE LIVED IN SEALED GLOBES AS LONG AS 3 MONTHS, GROWING WATER PLANTS THEIR ONLY FOOD.

COLLEGE COLDS—
COLLEGE STUDENTS HAVE ON THE AVERAGE 3 COLDS PER YEAR, WHILE MEMBERS OF FAMILIES HAVE LESS THAN ONE A YEAR.

Citizens Caucus Made Nominations

DR. CLIPPERT AGAIN HEADS COUNCIL

The village caucus held Tuesday night was void of surprises and the present officers were duly re-nominated.

The officers of the caucus were O. P. Schumann, chairman, E. L. Sparkes, clerk, and Fred Welsh, secretary. The officers were duly sworn in by Justice Phillip Zalsman.

Only 35 votes were cast for the office of village president, of which Dr. C. G. Clippert received 34. E. L. Sparkes had a similar majority for the office of clerk.

It required considerable balloting to nominate a candidate for the office of treasurer. Paul Ziebell, the present incumbent, was disqualified and could not be a candidate. For several ballots it was a neck and neck race between Carl Sorenson, Frank Barnett and Herb Gothro. Mr. Sorenson withdrew and in the sixth ballot Mr. Gothro received the required majority.

Trustees Roy O. Milnes, Al. Roberts and A. S. Burrows carried all but one vote in the balloting and Nick Schlotz took ten from the ballot that nominated Merle F. Nellist, who is filling the vacancy of the late Thomas Cassidy.

George Olson declined to be a candidate for assessor to succeed Mickey Cochran, the new manager of the Detroit Tigers. Also for "Goose" Goslin, newly acquired player with the Tigers from the Washington Senators. They, he said, should aid the Tigers a lot this coming season.

He stated that during one of his training periods in California their team visited one of the state reform schools for boys, where he learned that 90% of the boys there had never gone fishing nor hunting with their dads.

The fathers were admonished not to be too critical of their boys, and to bear in mind that boys do and think largely as their fathers do. He related how his own father had made him believe in himself. He suggested that the young boys present pick out some good man as their ideal and to study his habits and principles.

Being a good loser is good sportsmanship and also a good lesson to study on how not to lose again. Good losers are all right but one must keep a fighting spirit in order to win and get somewhere.

West Branch Quintettes Here Friday

Friday night the Green and White of G. H. S. will take on the Orange and Black of West Branch.

A few weeks ago the two teams met at West Branch, with Grayling winning by a 14-10 score. The second team also won with a 24 point margin, shutting out their opposition.

Since this game both teams have put in a lot of practice and are "rarin' to go." West Branch with revenge in her heart and Grayling with determination in hers. Although Grayling has lost two men, Bud Sorenson and "Smitty" Smith, she still hopes to win. It's going to be a big game so come up and see it at the school gym Friday night. Elmer Smith of Houghton Lake will officiate.

NOTICE

DEPT. OF CONSERVATION, LANSING, MICH.

George R. Hagarth, Director
A competitive examination will be held on Monday, Feb. 26th at 9 A. M. Eastern Standard Time, at the Court House in Roscommon for the purpose of selecting fire wardens and towermen to be assigned to the position in District Number 11, comprising the counties of Crawford, Kalkaska, Missaukee and Roscommon.

Signed,
Dept. of Conservation.
THAT'S DIFFERENT

The sweet old Washington Star makes this frivolous comment: "The price of gold has been settled, but the price of hard liquor remains a matter of vigorous debate."

Dist. Basket Ball A Tourney Mar. 1, 2, 3

Tournament time is here at last. The three big days that everyone has been looking forward to is only a week away. The competing teams will draw their opponents Saturday, Feb. 24, and the first games will be played Thursday, March 1, with the other elimination games following on Friday, all leading up to the grand finale Saturday, in which the best teams play off for the championship.

The list of competing teams will be much the same as that of previous years, with the exception that Frederic may enter in the class "D" elimination. For the benefit of those who missed last year's big sports event, a list of the competitors is given below:

Class "C"—Mio, Mancelona, West Branch, Lake City, Grayling, Gaylord.

Class "D"—McBain, Roscommon, Johannesburg, Houghton Lake, St. Joseph, St. Mary's, Frederic (?)

It is impossible to prophesy the outcome of this big skirmish. Those "in the know" have doped out Mancelona and Lake City as the big rivals in the Class "C" group, but this is very uncertain as no one seems to know much about either the Mio or Gaylord team. Also, if Grayling happens to be having a good day she may surprise them all. The Grayling boys have played several games of championship caliber, but they can't always be depended upon. West Branch is not supposed to have a very good team, but rumors are afloat to the effect that she has been "holding out" on us, and she may really do something spectacular.

The Class "D" meet is equally impossible to predict. There are several good teams on the list, and anything is possible, with Roscommon and St. Mary's the possible favorites.

On the whole, this promises to be a tournament "par excellence" and no one can pick a winner until the last game is played. No one can afford to miss this, the biggest event of the year. Two referees have been sent by the State Department—Nichols of Barryton and McMillan, of Petoskey and an efficient job is assured.

Interest in this meet is at a fever point all over town, and predictions and gossip run riot, but no one knows anything at all about the probable outcome and the only way to find out without a tedious and unbearable wait is to go to the games. Nothing short of fire or flood can keep any sports follower in the vicinity at home on these three big days.

Grayling Pioneers Tie With Luzerne

Last Sunday, at Luzerne, Grayling Pioneers played the most exciting game of hockey of the season so far, when they played a two to two tie against CCC Co. 661, Luzerne.

The first period, which was very fast, went scoreless. In the second period Grayling repeatedly charged down the ice and finally Frank Shupinsky, center for Grayling, made a beautiful shot into the wicket for the first score of the game.

In the third period Grayling changed their tactics and played defensive hockey, and were holding No. 661 down. What looked like a 1 to 0 victory for the home team was changed one minute before the end of the third period. With a man completely offside a goal was made by Pilarski of Luzerne.

The game was held up for five minutes while the home team captain, Gil Cameron and Frank Ogden, manager, argued with the referee about the disqualification of the goal. It was useless to argue with the referee of course and the game was carried into overtime.

Three minutes after the overtime period started "Whitely" Durkoth came through for Grayling with an extraordinary backhand shot. No. 661 put on a last desperate charge two minutes before the end of the game, Hurtubies rushing in on our goal and outwitting Cameron to again tie the score.

After that day's performance we are sure the Pioneers are back in shape again. For two games this week end, one on Saturday and one on Sunday at the Grayling Winter Sports Park. The following week-end no games are scheduled as the players are making a trip to Detroit for the week end. They will then return and finish the season with what will probably be tough competition.

Ned Schmeiler was not in last Sunday's line-up due to the fact he had to return to Lincoln Park for a few days. Frank Shupinsky played in his position and Theo. Ruthven, sub, was put in the game.

We hope this week end to see a large attendance at the Winter Sports Park to see the hockey games.

JUNIORS TO PRESENT PLAY

The Juniors have started work on the production of their play, "DREAM OF DEATH." The play is a very stirring mystery—guaranteed to keep the audience on the edge of their seats for a full evening.

Practices are starting under the capable direction of Miss Berry. The cast will be selected from the following Juniors: Eva Mae Bugby, George Lietz, Kenneth Hoelsi, Sam Gust, Marie Buck, Josephine Robarge. DeAlton Griffith, Beverly Schable, Clara Atkinson, Elizabeth Kraus, Eva Madsen, Joan Peterson.

Camp Higgins Defeat Cadillac

The Higgins Lake basketball team, frigid weather notwithstanding, took a long jaunt over to Cadillac Friday, Feb. 9th, and as usual, brought home a well earned victory over Co. 682 by the score of 26-18. Harrison and Bates were the high point men for Co. 673 while Taylor was the loser's best bet.

Here is the standings of the teams of this district, including Feb. 9th's game. Scores furnished by our District chaplain, Capt. Todd:

	Won	Lost
Higgins	7	0
Cadillac	5	2
Harrison	4	1
Hartwick Pine	3	3
Pioneer	3	3
AuSable	1	4
Fife Lake	1	4
Houghton	0	5

What is a good definition for a muff? Something, or someone that holds a lady's hand without squeezing it.

News Briefs

THURSDAY, FEB. 22, 1934

Bruce Greenbury leaves tomorrow for Detroit, on business.

Mrs. Alex Reusch, of Johannesburg entered Mercy Hospital Monday for treatment.

All 3-nap and Zipper rubber articles to go at \$1.19 while they last, at Olsons.

Miss Marie Mallinger, of Higgings Lake, spent the week end as the guest of Miss Lillian Ahman.

Mr. and Mrs. James McDonnell left Wednesday for Bay City to spend a few days visiting friends.

All members I. O. O. F. please be present next Tuesday night. Special and very important business.

Mrs. Paul Lovely, who was admitted to Mercy Hospital Monday evening, is getting along very nicely.

The Primary department of the M. E. Sunday School are having a party at the church tomorrow afternoon.

Mrs. Ersa Wheeler, Children's Fund nurse, is driving a new Chevrolet, purchased from Alfred Hanson, dealer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jerome, of East Lansing, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Bates.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Welch, of Frederic, are the happy parents of a boy born to them at Mercy Hospital February 19. The baby will be known as Gerald Dean.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hermann, of Grand Rapids, spent the week end with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Bates. They had as their guest, George Sage, also of Grand Rapids.

After spending the evening skating at the Winter Sports Park, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Trudeau entertained several couples at their home where a pot-luck lunch was enjoyed.

Miss Sara Rosenberg, of Kalkaska and Charles Stuck, of Sharon, were united in marriage at the parsonage Sunday evening by Rev. H. J. Salmon. Their witnesses were Dr. and Mrs. Kellerman of Kalkaska.

RIALTO

Theatre Grayling

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DOUBLE FEATURE

No. 1—Low Ayers

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No. 2—

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Symphony News

Harold Borgerson, camp superintendent of C.C.C. 681, spent the week-end at Fife Lake.

Mrs. Peter Robertson is entertaining the Danish Ladies Aid at Danebod Hall this afternoon.

20% off on lined mitts, felt shoes, and sheepskin shoes at Olsons.

Roy Trudgen, of Detroit, arrived Sunday to spend several days here with Mrs. Trudgen.

Alfred Hanson has just delivered a new long-wheel base Chevrolet truck to Len Isenbauer.

Don't forget there will be old time dances as well as the modern ones at the Band dance tonight at Temple theatre.

A meeting of the nurses of Grayling District was held Friday night at the Hospital. Twelve nurses were present.

Miss Irene McKay entertained her bridge club at Mercy Hospital Tuesday evening. The prize was won by Mrs. J. C. Green.

Miss Marie Mallinger, of Higgings Lake, will be hostess to a number of her friends Saturday evening, the occasion being her birthday.

Ted Wheeler is assisting Gordon Pond with delivering for the Niederer Coal Company while Mr. Niederer is busy on his ice cutting job.

Marius Hanson, who is attending Ferris Institute in Big Rapids, arrived home yesterday to spend the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Hansine Hanson.

Mrs. C. G. Clippert, chairman for the annual Red Cross drive, reports two new memberships from South Branch township—Mrs. Ruby Dyer and Mrs. Nellie Kline.

George VanPatten left Tuesday to spend two weeks visiting friends in Grand Rapids, Lansing, Ann Arbor and Detroit. He accompanied Nels Corwin and Chris Hoesli as far as Lansing.

Emerson and Clarence Brown, of Bay City, spent the week-end with their mother, Mrs. Peter Brown. Emerson, who is employed as salesman for the Holland Furnace Company, has been transferred from Ann Arbor to Bay City territory.

There will be a mass meeting at the club rooms over the Hanson Hardware Wednesday night, Feb. 28 to discuss the contemplated Home-coming. Everybody should be there to express their opinions pro and con. You may have an idea that will be good. Be there.

Mrs. Nelson Corwin was hostess Wednesday afternoon at a silver tea at her home. This was the first of a series of teas that are being given for the benefit of the Women's Home Missionary society during the Lenten season. Next Wednesday Mrs. E. N. Darveau will entertain.

Wilhelm Raas returned to Grayling last Saturday from Portland, Oregon where he had been since last summer in the interest of a lumber company. He said that the first snow he saw was when he got to West Branch. Well, he missed a lot, and is probably glad of it. His friends are glad to welcome him back.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Poor and Coach Cornell accompanied by Tom Welsh, George Hanson, Leo Lovely, Clyde Borchers, Don Gochro, Jerome Brady, Edwin Chalk, Bill Joseph, Emil Kraus and Lilwyn Doremire motored to Alma Wednesday to witness a basketball game between Alma and Olivet. Alma won the game.

Mrs. Ernest Larson and Mrs. Milo Endricks were hostesses at a miscellaneous shower Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Larson, for the pleasure of Miss Dorothy May who is to be a bride of next month. Hearts were played, Miss Clarice Welch winning first prize and Mrs. Edwin Carlson second. A delicious lunch was served. Miss May received many lovely gifts.

Complete surprises are rare, but Jimmy Weiss was the victim of one Sunday evening. It was his sixteenth birthday and ten of his friends walked in on him at the dinner hour. A lovely dinner at 6:00 o'clock was enjoyed and then the party enjoyed a theatre party at the Rialto. A lighted birthday cake graced the dinner table.

Three robberies were committed in Grayling Saturday night. A pair of ladies slippers, some groceries and a robe were taken from Clyde Peterson's car that was parked in front of Lovely's Restaurant. Six pounds of butter were taken from Walter Johnson's car, and a swing-back framed picture of Winter Sports Queen Laila Malonen was taken from the show-case outside of the Trudeau Studio. Several carnival postcard views were also taken and the lock which had been broken. As yet Sheriff Bennett has no clue to the robberies.

Francis Brady is spending a few days in Detroit.

Emil Kraus, of Detroit, spent the week end with his family.

\$1.19 buys a pair of all rubber fleece lined articles, any heel, at Olsons.

Dance your favorite dance to your favorite tune at the Band dance at Temple theatre tonight. Everybody welcome.

Mrs. Maurice Gorman, who has been on the sick list for the past three weeks is beginning to improve.

Miss Mildred McWilliams, having completed her special duty at Mercy Hospital, returned to her home in Roscommon Monday.

Misses Grace Jones and Betty DeFrain, spent the week end in Cheboygan where they visited the latter's relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Yuill, of Vanderbilt, spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ziebell.

Miss Anne Brady, who is attending Jackson Business school, spent Friday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Brady.

A few friends dropped in on Mrs. A. E. Hendrickson last Thursday evening to remind her it was her birthday anniversary.

Carlyle Barber had as his guest for the week-end, Mr. Armond Blossom of Big Rapids. Both boys are with C.C.C. 674, The Pines.

Mrs. Norma Pray, who attends Traverse City business school, spent the week end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lydell.

Peter Vincents, who has been employed at Levan's Recreation Parlor, is leaving Friday for Detroit. Lionel McClain is taking his place.

Mrs. Ernest Olson returned Friday from Detroit where she had attended the National Hairdresser's convention at the Book Cadillac Hotel.

Mrs. Oscar Borchers entertained at a stork shower at her home Friday evening in honor of Mrs. Roy McEvers. There were about 30 present.

Miss Emma Hendrickson has returned from Gaylord, where she had been on special nursing duty, caring for Mr. George Ford for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. George Nolan and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller and son, Robert, of Rosebush, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. William McNeven.

Floyd Loskos was taken to Fort Wayne Hospital in Detroit last week where he will receive treatment for an injury to his knee, incurred while working at C.C.C. 672.

Mrs. Roy Milnes was hostess to her Bridge Club at a very pleasant luncheon Saturday afternoon. Three tables were in play following the luncheon. Mrs. Emil Giegling held the high score. Guests included Mrs. George Olson, Mrs. Robert Reagan, Mrs. Holger Peterson and Miss Ella Hanson.

Wednesday evening Miss Carl Sorenson, Mrs. N. Schlotz and Mrs. Earl Dawson were hostesses at a benefit pinocle party in the Fischer Building. Admission was twenty-five cents per person and the proceeds went to the Eastern Stars. A. J. Nelson and Mrs. Hans Petersen won first prizes while Tony Green and Mrs. Jess Sales won the consolations.

A fine flowing well was struck at Grayling fish hatchery Wednesday. It is 90 feet deep, and requires some further developing. Just what use will be made of it is not yet determined, and depends much upon the wishes of the Conservation department. It is located near the garage and on the edge of the deer park and will at least provide a fine watering place for the animals in the park.

Amos Hunter of Grayling Dairy reports that State Inspector Janowski suddenly appeared at his plant on Feb. 16 and gave them a very rigid inspection. When the points were all totaled, a score of 18 out of 20 possible points was allowed them. Amos says the inspector's final remarks on the score sheet were: "This is a very good place. Keep the good work up."

Sheriff Bennett was kept pretty busy a few times last week by brawls occurring in South Branch township. Four men were arrested for assault and battery and each paid fines of \$10.00. They were Andrew Jorgenson, Clayton Bishop, Forrest Hodges and Robert Winger-Ray Skinner was the victim. These men were woodsmen. A few days later Robert Clark was arrested and sentenced to 30 days in jail for assault and battery, and William Boatwright was sentenced to 30 days in jail for obtaining money under false pretenses.

Today is Washington's birthday.

Anthony Green visited friends in Frankfort Sunday.

Mrs. George Burke was hostess to several ladies at her home Monday afternoon. The occasion was her birthday.

Mrs. Walker Munroe, of Detroit, arrived Wednesday morning to spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. Oscar Hanson.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Chappel are happy over the arrival of a son born to them February 11th. He will be known as Stanley Wallace.

20% off on all men's articles, zippers, lace boots and heavy socks at Olsons.

The regular meeting of the Ladies Aid society will be a pot-luck dinner at 12 o'clock noon Friday, March 2 in the church kitchen.

A fire at the home of Charles Waldron Monday noon caused little damage. A hole was burned in the roof, caused from a spark from the chimney.

Men, Attention!! A pot-luck dinner will served in the Michelson Memorial church kitchen Friday, March 2 at 12 o'clock sharp. Come and enjoy a delicious meal and pay whatever you wish.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Trudeau and Mr. and Mrs. Menno Corwin were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Slaven Wednesday evening at dinner at the H. B. Smith cabin down the river.

The Danish church, which was damaged by fire several weeks ago, will be ready for use next Sunday. The floor and wood-work have been repaired but the redecorating is to be postponed until the local painters have finished their C.W.A. work at the school house.

Grayling Lumberjacks and the Corkscrews have entered the independent basketball tournament that opens tonight in Roscommon and ends Saturday night. A string of other teams have made entry and indications are that the third annual Gold Medal tournament will go over with a bang.

Nell Carey Walsh was hostess to eight of her young friends at a dinner party at her home Wednesday evening. The occasion was her eighth birthday. The little guests included Jane Milnes, Betty Sparkes, Shirley Nelson, Roger Giegling, Robert Bennett, Sandy Thompson and Louis Kraus.

DRIVING ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE HIGHWAY

Section 11, Act No. 318, P. A. 1927, reads as follows:

"Upon all highways of sufficient width except upon one way streets, the driver of a vehicle shall drive the same upon the right half of the highway and shall drive a slow moving vehicle as closely as possible to the right hand edge or curb of such highway, unless it is impracticable to travel on such side of the highway and except when overtaking and passing another vehicle subject to the limitations applicable in overtaking and passing, set forth in sections thirteen and fourteen of this act."

If there is any condition on the highway that will cause the ordinary man to lose his sunny disposition, it is to operate his car at a normal speed upon a three or four lane traffic highway and then come upon a truck, or passenger vehicle being driven by an operator who is out sight-seeing, operating in the center of the highway at a speed of anywhere from twelve to twenty miles an hour. This kind of a driver is a nuisance and should either be educated or arrested.

Too little attention is being paid to the hundreds of thousands of signs marking our super-highways, which read "DRIVE TO THE RIGHT. CENTER FOR PASSING ONLY." It is estimated that this type of highway will carry at least one-third more traffic safely, if drivers would adhere to this rule.

Jai Alai Player



Miss Katherine Blinn, seventeen-year-old high school senior in Miami Fla., is the only jai alai player in the United States. She has been playing the game two years and is good enough to give the professional experts a real battle.

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BEWARE OF BAD WHISKEY

The liquor problem is still with us, but the question is not whether we may drink, but what kind of liquor is safe. M. J. MacNamara, president of the Penn-Maryland company, an affiliate of National Distillers Products Corporation, furnishes an expert opinion upon the subject of blended wet goods in commenting upon the recent statement of United States Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau, Jr., and spokesman in the Bureau of Industrial Alcohol. The officials declared that a number of whiskey blends "unfit to drink" are now on the market, as a warning against the perils that may lurk in improperly blended liquors.

"But skillfully, carefully blended whiskey," Mr. MacNamara said, "is a far cry from the cut stuff foisted on the public by bootleggers during the last few years." Whiskey blending, as practiced before Prohibition, was a fine art and an exact science, he declared, from which rare and almost priceless formulae were developed. These purified spirits are given his "check," but he warns against raw or "young" whiskey or unpurified alcohol in blending. Mr. MacNamara explained that "this policy has been endorsed by Dr. Gettler, Toxicologist of the City of New York, Dr. Harrison B. Marland of the Newark City Hospital, Medical Examiner of Essex County, New Jersey, Dr. Timothy Leary, Medical Examiner for Suffolk County, Massachusetts, including the City of Boston, and other scientific authorities. These authorities have stated that blends of matured whiskey with 'young whiskey' or with unpurified alcohol are poisonous and health-wrecking and that blends of mature whiskey with purified spirits or alcohol are non-poisonous and relatively non-injurious."

It can be said in favor of the ban that she always does her cooking after having laid an egg. Some who are not hens do their cooking first and then forget about the egg—Bemil, Minn., Sentinel.

Our Puck Pushers

(By F. R. O. and C. E. R.)

Hello Everybody:

It is about time for me to start the old talking machine again. We're off!!!

Wm. Frahm, wingman, rushed up to the barber for a haircut. The barber told him not to be in such a hurry as he wasn't going anywhere. But, if I can judge him right, well, he won't be keeping that little blond lady waiting long.

Theo. Ruthven, who was taken off the regular line-up will be put back in for the next game.

Frank Ogden was almost killed this morning. It seems he is always wanting to practice on the trumpet. Enough is enough, but too much is—(curtains for Frank).

Yes, Suh!! What with the trumpet arriving in camp a couple of weeks ago and a saxophone last week, there is no peace in camp any more.

You should have seen last week's game. Every player on each team was taking a crack at each other, or knocking each other down, then apologizing. All that was missing was the tears and bows.

If Otis Matt ever asks "Do you know where I'm headin' for?" don't answer him because he will say, "I'm headin' for the last roundup."

Edmond Pruneau wants to know if defenseman George Barber's last name is Zitch.

All the players went to the Rialto Theatre to see "Flying Down to Rio". Now they want to go to South America to learn the new dance, the Carioca. If Manager George Olson doesn't stop getting that type of picture the Grayling Pioneer hockey team

won't be no more.

Oh!! For goodness sake, here I am writing a book. I better sign off until next week. Eh, what!!

Abysinnia, The Pen Pushing Twins.

CAMP HIGGINS WINS NINTH STRAIGHT GAME

Camp Higgins continued its long string of basketball victories with another triumph over the Hartwick Pines boys Tuesday night.

The two teams were deadlocked at four points each at the half. With Harrison in the line-up in the second half Camp Higgins finished strong to come out on top by the score of 26-17.

Bates also played a smart floor game for the winners while Cimco was Hartwick Pines' star.

This was Higgins' ninth straight victory.

SPECIALS

Friday and Saturday

PIONEER CODFISH	27c
1 lb. box	
MACKEREL, (side)----	5c
HOLLAND HERRING,	14c
lb.	
Or \$1.00 a keg	
BONELESS SMOKED	18c
HERRING, lb.	
COTTAGE CHEESE,	28c
2 lbs.	
FRANKENMUTH	22c
CHEESE, lb.	
STRIP BACON, lb.	15c
PORK SAUSAGE,	25c
3 lbs.	
HAMBURGER, lb.	10c

Sales tax extra

Burrows Market

Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

Thursday, February 22, 1911

Abe Joseph came home last week, and intends to stay in the "only town on the map."

The friends of Mrs. Thomas Nolan are shocked and grieved to learn of her death last week.

Word was received from Flint, that J. F. Wilcox, one of our old residents, is seriously ill.

H. P. Olson came up Tuesday morning from Detroit, but had hardly time to shake hands all around as he had to return last night. He is always welcome here.

When they get to making paper out of corn, as it is now proposed, a man can make eye-openers out of his morning paper and get three sheets to the wind before breakfast.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Manney gave

a party for their son Russel F. in celebration of his 9th birthday last Monday, to a host of his playmates.

Frederic Flasher (23 Years Ago)

Jake Berlin made his last visit here Monday in the interest of the dry goods.

Grandma Flag and son Elijah of East Jordan were here to attend the funeral of Irvin Batterson.

Mrs. Jas. Smith and family, Mrs. E. Haines and Miss Addie Ensign were in Grayling over Sunday.

Died—W. Irvin Batterson, son of our Probate Judge, Hon. W. Batterson and Mrs. N. Batterson, at Mercy Hospital in Big Rapids, February 14, 1911. He was aged 18 years.

SLATS' DIARY

Friday—Ant Emmy sed she got a letter from her cuzzin witch lives Down South and the boy she tuk to raise when—she was very young and a Arfan in a home has skipped out and stole over 50 dollars from her. I guess that is what you mite call biting the hand that Rocks the Cradle.

Saturday—Amy Felthaus thinks she is learning to sing—was at are house for supper this evening and after supper nobuddy sed her to sing so she consented to sing ways and then she ast pa whut he thot of her singing and pa sed they was 1 song she sung he diddnt like and he sed witch 1 is that and he replied and sed The 1 you just sung and she sed Whut uther songs have you herd me sing and pa sed Thats the only 1. After that it was very quiet.

Sunday—After church the preacher sed to like Furry that he seemed to enjoy the sermon and Ike sed Well he diddnt no if he enjoyed it but he diddnt mind it much becuz he was gassed in the war and cud stand a lot.

Monday—Pug Stevens looked offy wite at skool today and cum to find out he never tuk his Saturday bath till Sunday night this week. Teecher ast him if hee been sick and he sed No but his muther was.

Tuesday—Pa says it dussent take as smart a man to be a Crook as it use to take becuz now days they is so many more laws to break.

Wednesday—Teecher sed in the fasology class that in another 100 yrs kissing wood not be thot of enny more. O well in a nuther 100 yrs. I reckon mebbey I wont care.

Thursday—Edna Jinkins married Perry Fling for his munny they say, and he married her for love. well mebbey he got love but ennyway they have sepperated now and she got the munny.

Up to this time General Hugh Johnson has discovered no way of codifying and controlling the cold waves.

Blessing of Animals at Los Angeles



The animal shown in which every year's animals are brought to Los Angeles for the blessing ceremony. The animal is a bear, and the ceremony is held at the Los Angeles Zoo.

G. H. S. Loses At Roscommon

Roscommon's rangy scrappy basketball team edged out a 24-23 verdict over Grayling last Friday night in a game that wasn't decided until the last possible tick of the stop-watch. The Grayling reserves got a 6-11 decision to give Grayling a more or less even break for the evening.

It was quite a thriller. Grayling held an edge 7-3 at the quarter, and still was but in front 13-11 at the half. The third quarter left an 18-18 deadlock. "The Commons" pulled through to victory in the final period.

The Reserve game was a close affair too with a 6-6 deadlock at half time.

The Roscommon outfit presented a scrappy aggregation that used their height to advantage. They provided a most interesting evening to say the least.

Watson of Kalkaska referred the fracas in a totally acceptable style.

This week Grayling entertains the West Branch teams here in the last home game before the tournament. The locals face tough sledding with Sorenson ineligible and Smith deciding that after all basketball doesn't appeal to him.

Grayling High—24	Pos.	FG	FT	TP
Smook, RF	1	2	4	
Lovely, LF	2	1	5	
Sorenson, LF	0	0	0	
Gothro, C	1	1	3	
Smith, C	3	0	6	
Hanson, RG	0	0	0	
Borchers, RG	0	0	0	
Chalker, LG	3	0	6	
Total	10	4	24	

Roscommon High—25	Pos.	FG	FT	TP
McWilliams, RF	2	0	4	
Mead, RF	0	0	0	
J. Osworth, LF	3	2	8	
W. Sube, C	1	2	4	
Granlund, RG	0	1	3	
H. Sube, C	3	2	8	
Sargent, LG	0	0	0	
Total	9	7	25	

Referee—Watson.

Grayling Seconds—11	Pos.	FG	FT	TP
Brady, RF	1	0	2	
Doremire, RF	0	0	0	
Malonen, LF	0	0	0	
C. Corwin, LF	2	0	4	
Bunham, C	0	0	0	
Millikin, C	0	0	0	
Kraus, RF	1	0	2	
LaMotte, LG	1	1	3	
Total	5	1	11	

Roscommon Seconds—6	Pos.	FG	FT	TP
Matheson, RF	1	1	3	
Moore, LF	1	0	2	
Mead, LF	0	0	0	
Osworth, C	0	0	0	
Sargent, RG	0	0	0	
Dutton, RG	0	0	0	
Anderson, LG	0	1	1	
Total	2	2	6	

Referee—Murphy.

WINDSTORM CO. REPORT SHOWS FINE CONDITION

Forty-eight Years of Steady Growth and Prompt Satisfaction

The Michigan Mutual Windstorm Insurance Company of Hastings is the oldest and largest company of its kind operating in Michigan. Its history over the period of 48 years, since its organization in 1885, has been one of continuous growth and successful operation. Over four million dollars have been paid during this period to Michigan property owners for losses sustained by severe windstorms.

L. W. Sunday, president; Guy E. Crook, vice-president; E. A. Parker, secretary treasurer; and twelve directors located in as many different sections of the state constitute the governing body of this great company. There are also about one hundred agents scattered over Michigan looking after the writing of new business.

The annual report shows the company to be in splendid financial position, with over three hundred fifty million dollars insurance at risk and a membership of 94,761.

The fairness of this company's adjustment and the promptness with which it settles its claims has won high praise and appreciation from its patrons.

Past experience has demonstrated that devastating windstorms in Michigan are almost sure occurrences every year. This company has paid losses of considerable amount every year since 1893.

This is a company of which the people of Michigan should feel proud because of its fine record of continuous and satisfactory service, rebuilding thousands of buildings throughout the state that could not have been replaced had the owners been uninsured.—Hastings Banner, Feb. 21, 1934.

Wonder what those French royalties who robed because one bank was wrecked would have done had they lived in the United States during the past four or five years?

WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER

The 12th of February, 1934 has slipped away into history, like the 12th of February 1899. The earlier date will be longer remembered because on it Abraham Lincoln was born. It is not necessary to re-write his biography or re-tell his achievements. The major events of his life are related to a calamitous and distressing time. On the 125th anniversary of his birth, let him be remembered simply as one who bore with patience the hardships and heartaches of a wearying day. Viewed in that light, he typifies the spirit of the South quite as well as the spirit of the North, during the Civil War period, and belongs indeed to the ages.

A trans-continental railroad has invested two hundred thousand dollars in a train which will make the ride between Chicago and the Pacific coast twenty-four hours shorter. Anyone who has jogged at the customary leisurely rate over the route mentioned is convinced that the journey was unnecessarily prolonged. The railroad, like most individuals, has found out, during the present hard times, that it can do things that it considered impossible before. But should one harp on hard times, in view of the large expenditure involved? Finally, things must be improving if there is a demand for so speedy a service. The incident, though small in itself, starts one thinking along several serious lines.

A prominent ecclesiastic characterized Gandhi as the prophet of a new era. With France and Austria upset, Germany and Italy engaged in new and large-scale experiments, and the United States passing through what a less phlegmatic nation would call a revolution, it seems as though a new era indeed were at hand. What is in store for the civilized world, no one knows. Each day's newspaper leaves the reader in the suspense of the serial story. Something is happening in a big way, but what is it?

About 50 attended the funeral of a nationally-known alleged kidnapper, following his suicide in a mid-western prison. Considered as social gathering, funerals are not so popular as they used to be. Sometimes it is hard to drum up a half-hundred for the burying of a prominent citizen, especially if his activities happen to be a few years in the past. If the jailbird knows what went on, he should feel that he was accorded a pretty good send-off.

According to statistics furnished by the Treasury Department, the national debt will amount to about 32 billion dollars by the first of July, 1934, the nearest approach to this indebtedness being the sum of 25 billion dollars, which we owed in 1919. Between 1917 and 1919, the national debt increased ten fold, but we got along somehow, and will get along somehow now, even with a 7 billion increase over what was the pinnacle debt up to the present year. Nothing that the public debt doubled from 1929 to 1934, whereas it increased its bulk ten times from 1917 to 1919, it seems that a foreign war is a far more serious thing than industrial troubles at home, so far as putting Uncle Sam on the borrowing list is concerned.

Apologies of Col. Lindbergh's protest regarding the cancellation of the air mail contracts, it is to be wondered whether or not he is in for the bump that in all times and under all administrations has come to those who sass the White House, popular idols not excluded.

REVALUATION OF THE DOLLAR

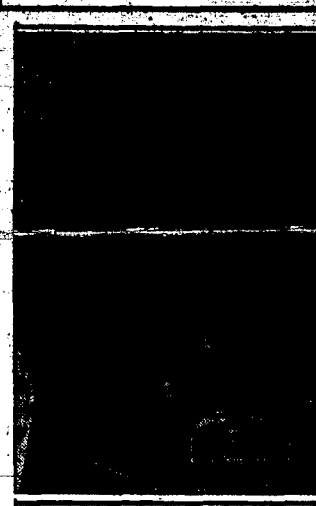
Fixing of the gold content of the dollar at fifty-nine cents is America's latest mystery move, but author Roosevelt has shown that he has a way about him of making "it all come out right in the end." But there are real thrills in the novel drama entitled "re-valuation of the dollar."

The human problem among the masses remains the same: how to get the dollar. With that accomplished, the chances are that there never will be any difficulty in getting 100 per cent value for any class of money that bears the approval of the U. S. Government.

The new deal in money establishes the gold dollar standard, as the United States Treasury sees it and as Mr. Roosevelt has promised, with gold circulating among central banks and when foreign banks are willing to abide by our set price.

The man in the "street" will notice no difference in the dollar at the moment, but he will note differences in the prices of things he purchases.

FORD TO BUILD HUGE EXPOSITION AT THE 1934 CHICAGO WORLD'S FAIR



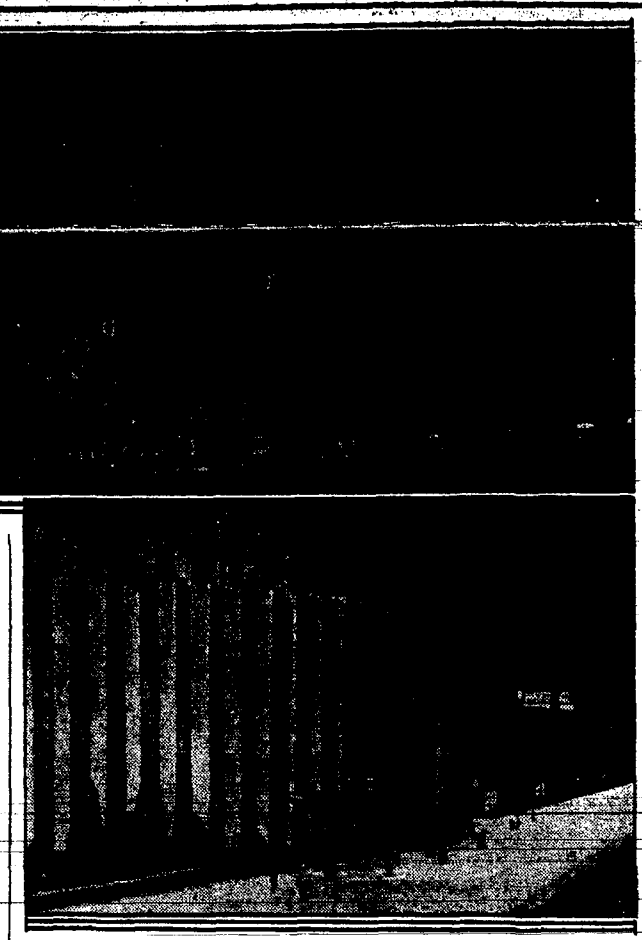
A GREAT Ford Exposition, portraying the tremendous part the arts, sciences and virtually every other industry plays in the manufacture of today's motor cars, is planned by the Ford Motor Company for the 1934 World's Fair.

The Ford Exposition will be housed in a giant building 860 feet long to be built in the heart of the fair grounds on an 11-acre plot bordering Lake Michigan and flanking the main fair boulevard. Construction of the building will start Mar. 1.

In the dominant central building will be housed Henry Ford's "Drama of Transportation," depicting the development of wheeled vehicles from the chariots of ancient Egyptian kings to modern motor cars. Every model of Ford car made since 1903 will be included.

In the smaller building to the left will be housed some of the priceless historic exhibits from the Edison Institute at Dearborn, Mich., including the one-story brick workshop complete with the original tools where Mr. Ford in 1893 built with his own hands his first motor car. This first car will be displayed in side the shop.

The main exposition building will



Henry Ford and Edsel B. Ford show to Rufus C. Dawes (center), president of the World's Fair, the scale model of the giant Ford Exposition building to be built at the 1934 Fair. (Lower) The Ford building as it will be seen from Left Erika's drive. Opposite the building will be a huge park bordering Lake Michigan.

display an imposing array of exhibits, most of them in action, showing steel, aluminum and other metals, soy beans, corn, wheat, cotton and other farm products and the products of myriad industries are converted into car parts. The building also will house displays of cars and a big movie theater. Along the east side will be an open-air balcony equipped with chairs and lounges where hundreds may relax. Across the drive fronting the lake will be a big Ford Park, beautifully landscaped and also fitted with seats and other comforts for fair crowds.

DEPT. OF STATE STATE NEWS BULLETIN

Drunk driving increased 45 per cent during January, 1934 as compared with January, 1933, according to records of the Department of State. The information reaches the department through the financial responsibility and the motor vehicles operators' license laws.

In January of this year there were 168 persons who either pleaded guilty or were found guilty of drunk driving or 52 more than in January of the year previous.

Since the financial responsibility law became effective last Oct. 17, a total of 659 motorists have been found guilty of some major traffic violation and have come under the provisions of the act. Of this number but 49 have been able to show proper proof of financial responsibility as demanded by the law.

Sale of windshield sticker permits under the two-payment plan allowing legal use of 1933 plates until August 1, 1934 will start Feb. 23, according to announcement by Secretary of State Frank D. Fitzgerald.

Under this plan, motorists, upon payment of one-half of the weight tax will receive a permit which must be fastened on the lower right hand corner of the windshield. With this sticker in place, the 1933 license plates can be used. In event that the legislature reduces the annual weight tax in the next few months, proper adjustment will be made when the second half of the weight tax is paid, if authorized by the legislature, Mr. Fitzgerald announced.

Several new political parties will be found upon the November, 1934 ballot, according to information reaching the Department of State. The Progressive-Fusionist and the Peoples-Progressive parties and the Commonwealth party, which is to replace the Prohibition party, already have qualified for places on the ballot. A new Farmer-Labor party to replace the one already qualified is being formed and members of the United party are planning to qualify within a few weeks.

BAD BOY SENATOR

The famous Huey Long rapped a Washington reporter with a cane in reply to a request for a news statement. Everybody is rapping Huey and it is an open secret in Washington that the Senate would like to throw him out if a way can be found to do so. A committee of the Senate is investigating, and it may be heard from a little later on.

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Registration Notice

To the Qualified Electors of the Village of Grayling, State of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given that in conformity with the "Michigan Election Law," I, the undersigned Village Clerk, will, upon any day, except Sunday and a legal holiday, the day of any regular or special election or primary election, receive for registration the name of any legal voter in said Village not already registered who may apply to me personally for such registration. Provided, however, that I can receive no names for registration during the time intervening between the second Saturday before any regular, special or official primary election and the day of such election.

Notice is further given that I will be at my office on Saturday, March 3, 1934, from 8 o'clock a. m., until 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of reviewing the registration and registering such of the qualified electors as may properly apply therefor. March 3rd is the last day of registering by personal application.

Lorane Sparkes, Village Clerk.

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THE STARTLING END OF A WHOOPER PARTY

An article, in The American Weekly with next Sunday's Detroit Times, will disclose startling facts about the sudden murder of a young girl behind a cabin in a tourist camp and tell how the probing for the bullet while the victim was still alive was bungled. Be sure to get Sunday's Detroit Times.

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